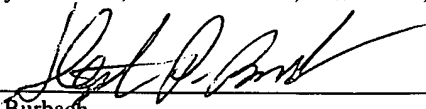




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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
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Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated October 22, 2003 for 1 month(s) from January 22, 2003 to February 23, 2003.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 55	\$ 110	\$110
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 210	\$ 420	\$
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 475	\$ 950	\$
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 740	\$1480	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1005	\$2010	\$


Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 110 to cover the cost of the extension.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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